OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

the City Of Augusto

Proclamation

IN RECOGNITION of "Emergency Medical Services Week"

WHEREAS, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical service providers have traditionally served as a safety net of America's health care system; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical service teams consist of emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators and countless others; and

WHEREAS, approximately two-thirds of all emergency medical service providers are volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical service teams whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical service providers by designating Emergency Medical Service Week.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bob Young, Mayor of Augusta, do hereby declare the week of May 15-21, 2005, as "EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK" in Augusta, Georgia.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia, to be affixed this 17th day of May 2005.

Mayor